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LOCATION INFORMATION****Publication Classification**(51) **Int. Cl.⁷ G06F 15/16**(52) **U.S. Cl. 709/203; 709/246; 358/1.15**(76) **Inventors: Gavin Brebner, St. Martin D'Uriage
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A network-connected printer (26) or other hard-copy device is arranged to receive location data, for example via an infrared interface (33), and store it in memory (32). The printer (26) is provided with a location server (36) enabling other devices on the network (27) to query the printer for its location; preferably, the location server is an HTTP server. The printer 26 can contact a conversion service (29) in order to change the form of its location data, for example, from latitude and longitude values to a building-semantics form.

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